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Dear Josh,

thanks a lot for your letter. If bacteriologists don't understand mutations now, then I think we can give it up. My work on induced mutations by using a similar technique has been interrupted for more urgent things, and precisely recombination in phage. Up to now using a dose of U.V. which gives  $10^{-8}$  survival we got 3 res. T1, 1 sector and 2 whole. Colonies tested 15000.

I would very much appreciate if in your paper you mentioned that I have been working with a printing plate technique (personal communication), but you could also say that yours works better as the print is more faithful to the original, mine on the other side is faster and accurate enough for the problem I am dealing with.

I looked everywhere for your hat, unfortunately it couldn't be found.

I am looking very much forward to meet Esther and you, please give her my best regards.

Very sincerely yours

*Nicola*